



Farm School Assistant Volunteer - 4 or 8 Week Internship:

Our 8-acre organic urban farm is looking for volunteers to support our Farm School program. Students from Kindergarten to High School come on field trips to the farm and take part in our agricultural and outdoor education programs. Join the team at Black Creek Community Farm (Jane & Steeles), get fully trained in our many hands-on, engaging programs, gain teaching experience and have fun while doing it!

Qualifications:

Necessary:

- Recent teacher graduate, OCT certified or working towards graduating
- Have experience working with children in an outdoor setting
- Have good organizational & communication skills
- Punctual and professional
- Passionate about: working outside, farming & growing food, sustainable agriculture, deepening children's connection to the earth
- Confidence to teach our programs to children from Kindergarten to Grade 8
- Recent vulnerable sector screening required (paid for by us if you do not already have one)

Assets:

- Graduated from a related field (Education, Outdoor Education, Environmental Studies, etc.)
- Have farming experience - growing vegetables, working with livestock, honey bees and/or vermicompost
- Have outdoor education experience
- Live in or have a strong knowledge of the Jane Finch community
- Have experience working with racialized and diverse groups of people

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Commit to the full 4- or 8-week internship program (part- & full-time positions available)
- Lead engaging activities with groups of up to 15 students (K – Grade 8)
- Assist with set-up & clean-up of activities
- Be prepared to work outside in all weather conditions (cold, rain, sun, heat)
- Able to lift up to 40lbs of soil, garden tools, etc.

Positions & Dates:

- All interns will be required to attend a full day training on April 30th, 2018
- Positions can be part or full time, priority will be given to those who have more availability
- 8 week internship from May to June – 1 position available
- 4 week internship for the month of May – 1 position available
- 4 week internship for the month of June – 1 position available

If you are interested in this internship opportunity, please send your resume & cover letter to **farmkids@blackcreekfarm.ca** with the subject line: **Internship Application**. Please include which internship duration you would like (4 or 8 week) & your daily availability (Mon-Fri) in your cover letter.

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Farm Camp Assistant Volunteer:

Our 8-acre organic urban farm is looking for volunteers to support our Farm Camp programs this summer! Join the team at Black Creek Community Farm (Jane & Steeles), get fully trained in our many hands-on, engaging programs, gain experience working with children, spend your summer outside on a beautiful farm and have fun while doing it!

At Black Creek Community Farm, campers are encouraged to explore their surroundings, as we are situated on a truly unique 8-acre property that includes pristine farmland, a heritage farmhouse and barn, and a surrounding forest that extends down into the Black Creek ravine. We encourage campers to get curious about nature at camp. Our hope is that campers leave the farm with a deeper connection to the earth.

Qualifications:

- Have experience working with children (summer camp experience is an asset)
- Ability to follow directions & take initiative in doing tasks
- Punctual and professional
- Passionate about: working outside, farming & growing food, sustainable agriculture, deepening children's connection to the earth
- Have farming experience - growing vegetables, working with livestock, honey bees and/or vermicompost (asset)
- Vulnerable Sector check required (paid for by us if you do not already have one)
- Live in or have a good understanding of the Jane Finch community (asset)
- Have experience working with racialized and diverse groups of people (asset)

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Commit to the full 4-weeks of Summer Farm Camp, daily Monday to Friday, approx. 8:30-4:30pm
- Support staff in running activities including- nature crafts, gardening, cooking, survivalist activities
- Support staff in supervising campers (age 4-12), ensuring campers feel safe and respected
- Responsible for morning set-up, lunch time clean-up & end of day clean-up of activities
- Be prepared to work outside in ALL weather conditions including rain, sun & heat (this is an outdoor camp, with a very limited indoor space, we only go inside when there is an Environment Canada Weather Warning)
- Care for the children's garden: includes daily watering, weeding & harvesting

Positions & Dates:

- Volunteers will be required to attend all 4 full days of training - July 3rd – July 6th, 10am-3pm
- Positions are full time only (Monday – Friday for all 4 weeks)
- Week 1: July 9-13
- Week 2: July 16-20
- Week 3 & 4: July 30 – Aug 10

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